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AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION IN ASSAM .
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any plans have been drawn out to double the agricultural production in Assam and other States in the north-eastern region, under the programme for accelerated development of the region;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the additional acreage to be brought under cultivation and the hybrid varieties of different crops to be promoted, State-wise; and

(c) the assistance granted by the Union Government for implementation of the plan? A N S W E RMINISTEROF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

Answer

(a) to (c): An Action Plan for doubling food production for major crops for all States, including Assam, was drawn up and circulated to all States, based on which separate Action Plans are to be prepared by the States on the basis of local-specific conditions. The Central Government supplements/complements State`s efforts In agriculturedevelopment through its various Central Sector and Centrally Sponsored Schemes. Macro Management Mode of agriculture has been recently introduced, merging 27 Centrally Sponsored Schemes for accelerating agricultural development. This will provide Stateswith flexibility to prioritise Schemes/programmes according to their specific needs and requirements as reflected in Work Plans prepared by them. During 2000-01, the allocation proposed for North Eastern States for implementation of Work Plans under the MacroManagement Programme is listed below:-

States	Allocation (2000-01) (Rs. in crore)
Arunachal Pradesh	7.00
Assam	11.60
Manipur	10.00
Mizoram	6.00
Meghalaya	9.50
Nagaland	12.00
Sikkim	8.00
Tripura	8.00